

NAME

expand – convert tabs to spaces

SYNOPSIS

expand [*OPTION*]... [*FILE*]...

DESCRIPTION

Convert tabs in each *FILE* to spaces, writing to standard output.

With no *FILE*, or when *FILE* is –, read standard input.

Mandatory arguments to long options are mandatory for short options too.

-i, --initial

do not convert tabs after non blanks

-t, --tabs=*N*

have tabs *N* characters apart, not 8

-t, --tabs=*LIST*

use comma separated list of tab positions. The last specified position can be prefixed with ‘/’ to specify a tab size to use after the last explicitly specified tab stop. Also a prefix of ‘+’ can be used to align remaining tab stops relative to the last specified tab stop instead of the first column

--help display this help and exit

--version

output version information and exit

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REPORTING BUGS

GNU coreutils online help: <<https://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/>>

Report expand translation bugs to <<https://translationproject.org/team/>>

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SEE ALSO

unexpand(1)

Full documentation at: <<https://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/expand>>

or available locally via: info '(coreutils) expand invocation'